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10/413,680	April 15, 2003	279.268US2	CONFIGURATIONS AND METHODS FOR MAKING CAPACITOR CONNECTIONS
10/804,288	March 18, 2004	279.339US3	METHOD FOR INTERCONNECTING ANODES AND CATHODES IN A FLAT CAPACITOR
10/846,805	May 14, 2004	279.271US2	CAPACITOR HAVING A FEEDTHROUGH ASSEMBLY WITH A COUPLING MEMBER
10/874,798	June 23, 2004	279.823US1	METHOD FOR INTERCONNECTING ANODES AND CATHODES IN A FLAT CAPACITOR
10/882,144	June 30, 2004	279.169US3	METHOD OF CONSTRUCTING A CAPACITOR STACK FOR A FLAT CAPACITOR

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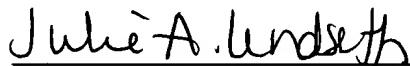
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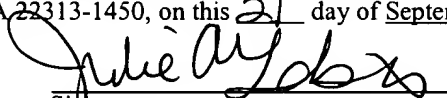
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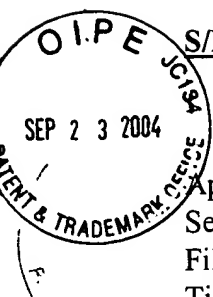
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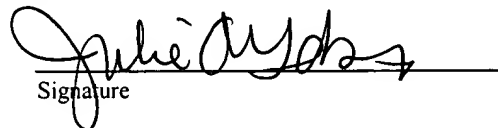
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